

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication in the Office Action that claims 1-14 are directed to allowable subject matter.

Claims 1-14 have been cancelled and re-written as new claims 15-28, respectively. It is submitted that the revisions relative to the original claims overcome the issues underlying the indefiniteness rejections of claims 1-14. Further, these amendments are deemed to be merely clarifying and non-narrowing, and no estoppel should be deemed to attach thereto.

It is respectfully submitted that allowance of claims 15-28 is warranted.

A new Abstract is submitted herewith as required by the Office Action.

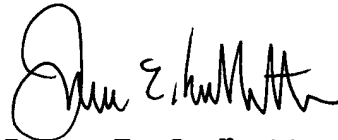
The specification has been amended to include section headings as requested in the Office Action.

No new matter is believed to be introduced by the amendment of the specification.

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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